Export of Primary and Secondary agricultural produce

74. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the Primary and Secondary agricultural products which are exported; and

(b) the details thereof, quantity-wise during the last three years and the rate of export and import alongwith their landed cost?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Details of quantity and value of agricultural products exported during the last three years is given in the Annexure. Since exports and imports are primarily done by private parties, details of landed cost are not available. [*See* Appendix 174, Annexure No. 4].

National Commission for Children

75. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under consideration of Government for setting up of a National Commission for Children to effectively check the growing number of child labour;

(b) if so, by when it will be set up to prevent exploitation of children;

(c) whether there is also a scheme of Government to eradicate child labour in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) There is no proposal to set up a National Commission for Child Labour.

(c) and (d) The Government announced the National Policy on Child Labour in August, 1987. The action plan under the National Child Labour Policy comprises:

— A legislative action plan.

— Focussing of general development programmes for benefiting children wherever possible; and

— Project-based action plans in areas of high concentration of child labour engaged in wage/quasi-wage employment.

Twelve National Child Labour Projects (NCLP) are currently under implementation in eight States covering approx. 16,000 children. For the year 1995-96, the Planning Commission has allotted Rs. 34.40 crores with assurance of more funds, depending upon performance. A major activity undertaken under the NCLP is establishment of special schools to provide basic needs, like non-formal education, vocational training, supplementary nutrition etc. to the children withdrawn from employment. Voluntary agencies are being financially assisted to the extent of 75% for taking up welfare projects for working children under a grant-in-aid Scheme.

Impact of economic reforms on the unemployment problem

76. SHRI KANAKSINH MOHANSINH MANGROLA:
CHAUDHARY HARMOHAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study has been conducted to ascertain the impact of the ongoing economic reforms in the country on the unemployment problem;

(b) if so, what are the results thereof;

(c) whether National Sample Survey Organisation has conducted any survey in connection with the employment figures during the last three years;